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THE BOOTLEGGERS SONG

*C. Robinson*

1. I once was an honest bartender  
Until prohibition went through  
It left me alone to my sorrow  
For there wasn't a thing I could do.
2. I tried butchers and grocer and baker  
In none of these arts I excelled  
Then I tried my poor luck at bootlegging  
And in that I did very well.
3. I sold beer and ale by the carloads  
Whiskey and gin by the barrell  
Champagne, Creme-de-mint, ginger ale  
They all were sold by the pale
4. I had a good business on Ridge Road  
Every night in the week  
on cold nights, and warm nights and all nights  
In moonshine, in rain and in sleet.
5. I served the best liquor, that brought trade  
From every corner I knew  
They paid what I asked and said nothing  
And that's how my business grew
6. I was caught selling booze to an agent  
They came and broke down my door  
I am now cracking stones on the highway  
For I'm not selling booze anymore.

*Watson says "No"*  
*5-12-29*

*W. H. Harper*

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